

§ 311. Purchases exempt from the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act; contract negotiation authority

(a) Purchases may be made from appropriations under the “Government Printing Office” without reference to the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act, approved June 30, 1949, as amended, concerning purchases for the Federal Government.

(b) In addition to the authority to negotiate otherwise provided by law, the Public Printer may negotiate purchases and contracts for supplies or services for which the Public Printer determines that it is impracticable to secure competition by advertising. The Public Printer may not award a contract under this subsection unless he justifies the use of negotiation in writing and certifies the accuracy and completeness of the justification. The justification shall set out facts and circumstances that clearly and convincingly establish that advertising would not be practicable for such contract. Such a justification is final and a copy thereof shall be maintained in the Government Printing Office for at least 6 years after the date of the determination. The Public Printer may designate one or more employees of the Government Printing Office to carry out this subsection.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1242; Pub. L. 99-151, title III, § 305(a), (b)(1), Nov. 13, 1985, 99 Stat. 808.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 64 (Aug. 1, 1953, ch. 304, title I, § 102, 67 Stat. 332).

Reference to Printing Act of 1895 deleted as superseded by section 309.

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, referred to in subsec. (a), is act June 30, 1949, ch. 288, 63 Stat. 377, as amended. Provisions of that act relating to purchases are classified to subchapter IV (§ 251 et seq.) of chapter 4 of Title 41, Public Contracts. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 471 of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1985—Pub. L. 99-151, § 305(b)(1), inserted “; contract negotiation authority” in section catchline.

Pub. L. 99-151, § 305(a), designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

§ 312. Machinery, material, equipment, or supplies from other Government agencies

An officer of the Government having machinery, material, equipment, or supplies for printing, binding, and blank-book work, including lithography, photolithography, and other processes of reproduction, no longer required or authorized for his service, shall submit a detailed report of them to the Public Printer. The Public Printer, with the approval of the Joint Committee on Printing, may requisition such articles as are serviceable in the Government Printing Office, and they shall be promptly delivered to that office.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1242.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 59 (July 19, 1919, ch. 24, § 3, 41 Stat. 233).

§ 313. Examining boards: paper; bindery materials; machinery

The Deputy Public Printer, the superintendent of printing, and a person designated by the Joint Committee on Printing, shall constitute a board to examine and report in writing on paper delivered under contract, or by purchase or otherwise, at the Government Printing Office.

The Deputy Public Printer, the superintendent of binding, and a person designated by the Joint Committee on Printing shall constitute a board to examine and report in writing on material, except paper, for the use of the bindery.

The Deputy Public Printer, the superintendent of printing, and a person designated by the Joint Committee on Printing shall constitute a board of condemnation, who, upon the call of the Public Printer, shall determine the condition of presses and other machinery and material used in the Government Printing Office, with a view to condemnation.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1242.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 49 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 20, 28 Stat. 603; May 27, 1908, ch. 200, § 1, 35 Stat. 382; June 7, 1924, ch. 303, § 1, 43 Stat. 509).

CROSS REFERENCES

Comparison of paper and envelopes with standard quality, see section 513 of this title.

Joint Committee on Printing determination of quality of paper, see section 514 of this title.

§ 314. Inks, glues, and other supplies furnished to other Government agencies: payment

Inks, glues, and other supplies manufactured by the Government Printing Office in connection with its work may be furnished to departments and other establishments of the Government upon requisition, and payment made from appropriations available.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1242.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 62 (June 30, 1932, ch. 314; pt. I, § 1, 47 Stat. 397).

§ 315. Branches of Government Printing Office; limitations

Money appropriated by any Act may not be used for maintaining more than one branch of the Government Printing Office in any one building occupied by an executive department of the Government, and a branch of the Government Printing Office may not be established unless specifically authorized by law.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1242.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 61 (Aug. 1, 1914, ch. 223, § 1, 38 Stat. 673).

§ 316. Detail of employees of Government Printing Office to other Government establishments

An employee of the Government Printing Office may not be detailed to duties not pertaining

to the work of public printing and binding in an executive department or other Government establishment unless expressly authorized by law. (Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1242.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 47 (June 25, 1910, ch. 384, § 1, 36 Stat. 770).

§ 317. Special policemen

The Public Printer or his delegate may designate employees of the Government Printing Office to serve as special policemen to protect persons and property in premises and adjacent areas occupied by or under the control of the Government Printing Office. Under regulations to be prescribed by the Public Printer, employees designated as special policemen are authorized to bear and use arms in the performance of their duties; make arrest for violations of laws of the United States, the several States, and the District of Columbia; and enforce the regulations of the Public Printer, including the removal from Government Printing Office premises of individuals who violate such regulations. The jurisdiction of special policemen in premises occupied by or under the control of the Government Printing Office and adjacent areas shall be concurrent with the jurisdiction of the respective law enforcement agencies where the premises are located.

(Added Pub. L. 91-359, §1(a), July 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 668.)

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AMENDMENTS

1976—Pub. L. 94-553, §105(a)(2), Oct. 19, 1976, 90 Stat. 2599, struck out “; copyright” after “plates” in item 505.

FEDERAL RECORDS MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS WITHOUT EFFECT ON CHAPTER

Authority and responsibilities under chapter not limited or repealed by Federal Records Management

Amendments of 1976, see section 5(b) of Pub. L. 94-575, set out as a note under section 2901 of this title.

§ 501. Government printing, binding, and blank-book work to be done at Government Printing Office

All printing, binding, and blank-book work for Congress, the Executive Office, the Judiciary, other than the Supreme Court of the United States, and every executive department, independent office and establishment of the Government, shall be done at the Government Printing Office, except—

(1) classes of work the Joint Committee on Printing considers to be urgent or necessary to have done elsewhere; and

(2) printing in field printing plants operated by an executive department, independent office or establishment, and the procurement of printing by an executive department, independent office or establishment from allotments for contract field printing, if approved by the Joint Committee on Printing.

Printing or binding may be done at the Government Printing Office only when authorized by law.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1243.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §111 and 116 (part) (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, §§ 86, 87, 28 Stat. 662; Mar. 1, 1919, ch. 86, §11, 40 Stat. 1270; July 5, 1949, ch. 296, 63 Stat. 405).

This section incorporates only the first sentence of former section 116. The balance will be found in section 1123 of the revision.

VEGETABLE INK PRINTING

Pub. L. 103-348, Oct. 6, 1994, 108 Stat. 3133, provided that:

“SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

“This Act may be cited as the ‘Vegetable Ink Printing Act of 1994.’”

“SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.

“(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

“(1) More than 95 percent of Federal printing involving documents or publications is performed using lithographic inks.

“(2) Various types of oil, including petroleum and vegetable oil, are used in lithographic ink.

“(3) Increasing the amount of vegetable oil used in a lithographic ink would—

“(A) help reduce the Nation’s use of nonrenewable energy resources;

“(B) result in the use of products that are less damaging to the environment;

“(C) result in a reduction of volatile organic compound emissions; and

“(D) increase the use of renewable agricultural products.

“(4) The technology exists to use vegetable oil in lithographic ink and, in some applications, to use lithographic ink that uses no petroleum distillates in the liquid portion of the ink.

“(5) Some lithographic inks have contained vegetable oils for many years; other lithographic inks have more recently begun to use vegetable oil.

“(6) According to the Government Printing Office, using vegetable oil-based ink appears to add little if any additional cost to Government printing.

“(7) Use of vegetable oil-based ink in Federal Government printing should further develop—

“(A) the commercial viability of vegetable oil-based ink, which could result in demand, for domes-